

No LEG TO STAND ON



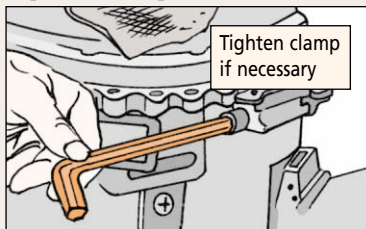
I'M FEELING A LITTLE SHAKY 'CAUSE MY TRIPOD NEEDS PM!

If you ignore your TOW's tripod, it won't have a steady leg to stand on. For a line-of-sight system like the TOW, that's the end of accuracy. Several units have even seen their weapons take a tumble because of tripod problems.

The best way to prevent tumbling TOWs is to pay attention to the tripod's locking clamp. If it works loose, the TOW takes a fall.

After you install the traversing unit (TU) and lock down the clamp, try to twist the TU back and forth. If there is **any** movement, tighten the clamp with a 3/16-in hex wrench, NSN 5120-00-240-5300.

Turn the TU again. If there's still play, it's time for a new tripod. Also make sure the locking clip for the clamp locks the clamp securely. If it doesn't, the clamp can work loose. Report a bad clip.



Last, check the tripod crossbars on all four sides for cracks. Just one crack signals the tripod is shot.

